Senate File 560 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 560
BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1195)

(COMPANION TO HF 487 BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act related to installations of certain wireless
- 2 telecommunications infrastructure in the state, and
- 3 including effective date provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 8C.3, Code 2019, is amended by adding the
- 2 following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 14. a. Reject an application, in whole
- 4 or in part, for the installation of a tower or transmission
- 5 equipment in the unincorporated area of a county with a
- 6 population of less than fifteen thousand, except for on
- 7 property zoned and used exclusively for single-family
- 8 residential use or within a previously designated area
- 9 of historical significance pursuant to section 303.34,
- 10 upon written confirmation from the statewide interoperable
- 11 communications system board established in section 80.28, that
- 12 the tower or transmission equipment is intended to be installed
- 13 and used as part of the state plan approved under 47 U.S.C.
- 14 §1442(e) for the deployment of the nationwide public safety
- 15 broadband network or radio access network. For purposes of
- 16 this subsection, "nationwide public safety broadband network" and
- 17 "radio access network" mean the same as those terms are defined
- 18 in 47 U.S.C. §1401.
- 19 b. This subsection is repealed two years after the effective
- 20 date of this Act.
- 21 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
- 22 importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 23 EXPLANATION
- 24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 26 This bill relates to installations of certain wireless
- 27 telecommunications infrastructure in Iowa pursuant to Code
- 28 chapter 8C. Code chapter 8C, the "Iowa Cell Siting Act",
- 29 provides uniform rules and limitations for installations of
- 30 wireless telecommunications infrastructure in the state,
- 31 including rules related to applications for such installations.
- 32 The bill provides that an authority, or governing body
- 33 authorized to make decisions relative to an application,
- 34 shall not reject an application for the installation of a
- 35 tower or transmission equipment in the unincorporated area of

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- 1 a county with a population of less than 15,000, except for
- 2 on certain residential or historical property, upon written
- 3 confirmation from the statewide interoperable communications
- 4 system board, that the tower or equipment is intended to be
- 5 installed and used as part of the state plan approved under
- 6 specified federal law for the deployment of the nationwide
- 7 public safety broadband network or radio access network. The
- 8 bill includes by reference definitions for "nationwide public
- 9 safety broadband network" and "radio access network".
- 10 The bill takes effect upon enactment and is repealed two
- ll years after it takes effect.